

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph on page 1, beginning on line 10 as follows:

Figure 1. The shaft (1): hollow, with a diameter of 15 mm (can optionally be smaller), made of a lightweight (plastic, pvc) material, resistant, rigid and biodegradable, contains a rod (2) molded in one piece (A and B). At one end (A), a portion that is five centimeters long and 14 mm high acts as a piston actuated by a pull element (3) screwed into said piston and moving in the slot (5). At the other end of the rod (2), two male clip portions are attached to it (4, figure 1), and can be connected to the female portion of the clip (24, figure 3) enabling the rod (17, figure 3) to move over the frame (16, figure 3). A slot (5) in the rod (1, figure 1), which is 50 mm long and 5 mm wide, [[ands]] ends at the two extremities with a groove (6) that enables the rod to be locked in the open or closed position (17, figure 3). The pull element (3) screwed into the piston A slides along the slot (5) enabling the rod (2), which is attached to it to move the rod (17, figure 3). The piston, made of the same material as the assembly, has a diameter that enables it to slide into the rod (1) without friction. At the two ends of the rod (1), placed 20 mm from the end, two male portions of a clip are attached (7). The invention also enables the instrument, which is secured to the leash by two attachments, to be used with one hand. One attachment (8) is on the rod (1), 400 mm from the end next to the piston of the rod (1). It consists of a Velcro strip that is long enough to surround any leash model on the market. The other attachment (10, figure 2), is a ring that opens and closes under simple pressure, and can be attached to the handle of the leash, which will then be secured to the handle (9, figure 2). The elements of figure 1 (2 and 3) can be disassembled and changed, as can the rod (1) enabling parts to be replaced without having to change the entire instrument.

Please amend the paragraph on page 3, beginning on line 2 as follows:

Figure 4. The sack (26) is made of a waterproof biodegradable flexible material (plastic). With a rectangular base (140 x 150 mm), when hooked on (16), it is 150 mm high, with a 50-mm flap over the edges of (17, 18, 19, 20) so as to always prevent the instrument from coming into contact with the street or the excrement. Under the flap, on the right-hand side, facing the user, a self-adhesive patch (28) with a plastic tie [(28)] 32 enables the sack (26) to be hermetically sealed before being thrown away. The sack is produced with four holes (27) placed over the

hooks (22) making it easier to for the sack to be placed and held during use. A cut (29) is made in the flap so that the sack (26) can be placed on each side of the rod (2 connected to 24).